

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2330

February 3, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Allows utility district commissioners to participate in the insurance plan for local governments and quasi-governmental organizations.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant
Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000 - Permissive
Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000 - Permissive

Based upon the data available, it is impossible to determine the exact amount the provisions of this legislation will cost local governments. There is no pre-determined percentage of an insured's premium that local governments are required to pay. Further, because utility district participation in the plan is voluntary, it is impossible to determine how many individuals would become members of the plan. However, since most utility districts who do not currently participate in the plan would be participating in a private insurance plan and paying premiums based upon a smaller pool of insured individuals, it is reasonable to assume that a large number of these districts would benefit from the cost savings associated with switching to the local government plan. Additionally, the inclusion of commissioners within the plan may entice more districts to switch from private insurance to this plan. As a result, more employees would become members of the plan in addition to the commissioners of any given district.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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